

Application of: Rodney C. Hope  
Serial No.: 10/604,494  
Amendment C

**REMARKS**

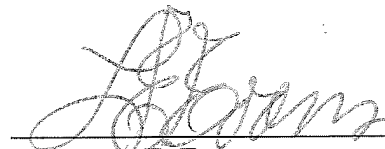
Applicants note with appreciation the indicated allowability of claims 1-6, 8-16, 18-20 and 22-30. Rejected claims 7, 17 and 21 have been cancelled without prejudice.

If any issue regarding the allowability of any of the pending claims in the present application could be readily resolved, or if other action could be taken to further advance this application such as an Examiner's amendment, or if the Examiner should have any questions regarding the present amendment, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner please telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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